

LATER FROM EUROPE.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—The steamer Asia, from Liverpool on the 31st, has arrived.

The political intelligence is unimportant.—There was still much speculation as to the intentions of Napoleon touching American affairs. It is reported that if Napoleon's proposal to the United States should be rejected, France would recognize the Southern Government.

It was assumed by several writers that the Emperor's proposal was merely preliminary to a more important step, and that if refused, a recognition of the Confederates would probably follow, whether England joined in the movement or not. It was reported that this proposal of the Emperor was not submitted to Mr. Slidell in advance, and that he and other Secessionists in France pronounce it inadmissible.

There were rumors of new difficulties between the British and American Governments, owing to seizures of English vessels too near the coast of Bahamas.

The emancipation demonstration at Exeter Hall was one of the most enthusiastic and imposing affairs as to numbers, and one of the most important that have occurred in London since the days of the Corn Law League. The vast hall was densely crowded, and two other meetings were organized out of the overflow. The resolutions passed reiterate the sentiments of the Emancipation Society, and express great sympathy for the North. All hostile amendments were promptly voted down, and the resolutions were carried almost unanimously.—The London Times was denounced amidst groans and hisses. Similar meetings have been held at Bradford and other towns. The operatives at Bradford had adopted a memorial thanking America for the relief afforded, and suggesting assistance to emigrate there as a more effectual way of affording relief.

The Times indulges in a most gloomy picture of the present crisis in America, both as regards military and financial affairs.

Sir Robert Peel, in a speech, recently declared himself favorable to a separation of the North and South, and strongly condemned President Lincoln's Emancipation edict.

Admiral Bosse supercedes La Gravier in the French expedition against Mexico.

The French Senate had voted the address to the Emperor with only one dissentient vote.—The address as read in the House expresses concern on account of the American struggle, and regrets that the Great Powers did not join in her mediation offers.

The Prussian Chamber had voted an address hostile to the Government by an overwhelming majority.

A Madrid despatch says that the Spanish Cabinet do not intend to recognize the Kingdom of Italy at present.

The insurgents in Poland have received considerable reinforcements from the better classes of society, including many from Warsaw. The insurgents have also captured some Government troops near Pietr Krow, including two Russian officers, who were immediately shot.

On Sunday morning some of the detectives, from information received went in pursuit of some contraband goods, which were said to be secreted in a small boat on Fell's Point, below Baltimore, and which was about to leave in tow of a steam tug to join the ship Ocean Wave, Capt. Wedge. It appears that it was so arranged that two men who owned the goods had engaged the tug to tow their boat down to the ship which was to take them to a convenient point opposite the Virginia shore and let them leave by their boat. The small boat was captured, with a variety of goods on board, and the two men who owned them. The captain of the ship (a British vessel) named Wedge, was also arrested, and the whole of them were confined at the central police station to await a hearing to-day. It is said the captain of the ship will give a written statement of the whole affair, and he will probably be released.

There is at this time less than seven thousand patients in the military hospitals of Washington, Georgetown, Alexandria and Aquia Creek, a less number than have been confined in hospital at one time within twelve months. The Surgeon General now has more than fifteen thousand vacant beds in the military hospitals east of the Alleghanies.

Mr. Thurlow Weed, and the Rev. Henry Ward Beecher, (both republicans,) have got into a controversy concerning the proper mode of conducting the war. In reply to a publication of Beecher in the Independent, Mr. Weed makes this prediction: "If it comes to be understood that the views and policy of Messrs. Sumner, Greeley, Wendell Phillips, Ward Beecher, &c., &c., obtain in the conduct of the war, it will result in the destruction of our government and Union, and a triumph for rebellion and slavery."

A portion of the crew of the Alabama has been before a magistrate for a row in a drinking saloon in Kingston, Jamaica.

A Washington dispatch says:—A call will be issued in a day or two inviting the democratic members elected to the next Congress to convene in New York city on the 8th of March next. The object of this meeting is for general conference for the purpose of deciding the course to be pursued by the democratic party, on the war; also in reference to the manner in which it is being conducted by the present administration.

Capt. B. C. Berry and A. M. Seymour, Second Regt. New York cavalry, having deserted their regiment while on the march, Jan. 21, 1863, and having left the army without proper authority, and continued absent up to the present time, are dishonorably dismissed from the military service of the United States, by General Hooker, subject to the approval of the President.

Large seizures of contraband goods in the Army of the Potomac have recently been made and distributed for hospital purposes. The offenders hereafter will be summarily punished.

The official evidence in relation to the employment of negro soldiers by the French in Mexico, has been made public. The Alexandria correspondent of the London Times writes, with regard to the negroes kidnapped by the French, that the Government of Egypt were preparing a batch of men to form a second mission, but the indignant protest of the British, American and Austrian Consuls, beside the change of Government which has since intervened, rendered it altogether unlikely that the scheme would be executed.

The Phillips House, on the Rappahannock, opposite Fredericksburg, which has been so frequently spoken of since the Army of the Potomac occupied its present position, was destroyed by fire on Saturday morning. The fire was the result of an accident caused by a defective flue. In consequence of recent injurious publications measures have been taken to arrest and punish some of the correspondents with the army of the Potomac.

Colonel Belger, Quartermaster at Baltimore, has demanded a court of inquiry into his affairs, at which the books, papers, correspondence, and all official business transactions between himself and others, will be submitted for investigation.

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